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A LUNCHEON IN HONOR OF EIGHT KING FEATURES CORRESPONDENTS ABROAD WHO WILL BE IN NEW YORK FOR A SPECIAL CONFERENCE NEXT WEEK. OUR OWN MEMBER, PERCY FORSTER, STATIONED IN ARGENTINA, WILL MAKE A BRIFF TALK AND THE FOLLOWING WILL ANSWER QUESTIONS ABOUT THEIR BAILTWICKS:

PAUL WINKLER, from France, Belgium, Holland and Switzerland

FRANK C. BETTS, United Kingdom

BJARNE STEINSVIK, from Czechoslovakia, Poland, Scandanavia

J. D. FENDELL from Colombia, Venezuela, Peru, Ecuador and Panama

PEDRO ISORENA, from the Philippines

SALVADOR MENDOZA, Mexico and Central America

ANTONIO MORA, Cuba

The correspondents will have their wives with them so this luncheon will be a general get-together for them and friends in the OPC whom they have not seen for ages.

SEND IN YOUR RESERVATION CARDS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE OR CALL THE OFFICE.

REMEMBER THAT COCKTAILS WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM NOON TO 12:30 P. M.

HOW ABOUT AN ITEM OR TWO FOR THE BULLETIN ? ?

The June meeting of the Board of Governors of the Club was called to order on Tuesday, June 8th, by President W. W. Chaplin, who announced the following Committee Chairmen for the coming year. These chairmen will call meetings of their committees as soon as possible. Chaplin announced that Chairmen in most cases can add to the members of their committees although the names have to be submitted to the Board for approval. As full committees are formed, they will be carried in the Bulletin.

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OPC BULLETIN PAGE TWO JUNE 9, 1948

Tom Morgan will head the crew of Station WOV at the Republican Convention in Philadelphia. It will be the first presidential convention broadcast in Italian or any other
foreign language.

WANTED Good writer with experience on press releases and features for job in New York at about \$5,000 per year. Call the office.

Ollie Stewart, reporting for the Afro-American newspapers, writes from Paris that "travel and living abroad is the best education in the world." Ollie says he envies the Americans living in Europe now.

Helen Kirkpatrick, who has just returned from India and is now reporting for the New York Post from the Washington Bureau, writes in the June 9th issue of the Post that the ERP supporters are now rallying for a restoration of the cuts made by the House last week and for elimination of some of the crippling provisions attached.

Joseph B. Phillips, in his column "Germany: Between Fear and Hope", writes from Berlin that the last hope for a successful peace has gone if the Marshall Plan aid for reforms in Germany of internal economics do not make themselves felt in the immediate future.

Paula LeCler returns to Europe next week to report for Transradio and NANA. She will go from France and Italy to the Balkans.

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Gardner Cowles, president of LOOK magazine, is out to raise a bigger family of readers. The new covers of the magazine are designed with an eye to more cheesecake and a "new look". With 2,910,104 circulation, the picture magazine has almost caught up with Collier's. The Gardner Cowles (Mike and Fleur) leave next month for a four week tour of Europe.

THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP HAVE BEEN RECEIVED AND WILL BE ACTED UPON BY THE NEW COMMITTEE ON ADMISSIONS. IF YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS, COMPLAINTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS, THEY SHOULD BE SENT TO A MEMBER OF THE ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE OR TO THE SECRETARY.

ACTIVE:

Marjory Collins, Rapho Guillumette Pictures, photographer. May 1946 to April 1947, photographic assignments in Europe and North Africa for Satevepost, Cosmopolitan, etc.; June 1947 to Feb. 1948. France, Italy and Germany for Liberty, Look, Esquire.

ARTHUR GAETH, commentator American Broadcasting Co. Sept. 1945 to November 1946 France, Germany, Balkans; July-August, 1947, Japan; July, August 1948, Europe.



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ACTIVE: (Continued)

Victor Lasky, staff writer for N.Y. World Telegram. Stars and Stripes from Jan. 1944 to Nov. 1945 in London, Paris and Frankfurt, Pfungstadt (Germany).

Nathan J. Margolin, Stars and Stripes, New York office. Paris, 1945-1946 for Stars and Stripes; Germany and England, 1946-1947, Stars and Stripes; then transferred to New York for Stars and Stripes.

Cyril B. Ormerod, British Information Service. Columnist The Financial Times, London, 1935-39; contributor to Barron's magazine and Wall Street Journal from London, 1935-1939,

Harris Peel, free lance. Stars and Stripes, Feb. 1946 to March 1947, Frankfurt Bureau; then freelanced from March 1947 to July 1948 - France, Spain, Italy, Yugoslavia, Greece, Middle East, North Africa.

Jerome D. Ross, free lance radio work. Sept. 1943 to Jan. 1946 with OWI and State Dept. in charge of radio and news at Algiers, Tunis, Naples, Rome and Florence. Deputy Director of U.S.I.S. in Italy from June 1945 to Jan. 1946.

Leonore Silvian, American Broadcasting Co. May, 1944 to Sept. 1945, Iondon, editor of OWI publication for Spain; OWI liaison editor and chief of the American Section of the European division of the BBC.

John A. Thale, Chicago Daily News Foreign Service. Latin America, October 1945 to May 1946; Mediterranean (Italy) June 1946 to May 1948.

Tom Wallace, Editor of the Louisville Times. Around the World, 1909; Portugal, France and England, 1910; Eight European countries in 1927; Mexico, 1928 and in 1941; Cuba, 1945 and 1948; Venezuela, 1945; Mexico and Colombia, 1946; Santa Domingo, 1945 -- all for Louisville Times and NANA. President of the Inter-American Press Association of the United States.

Joe Alex Morris, managing editor of Collier's, walked out last week when a memo came around saying that "Oscar Dystel, former editor of Coronet Magazine, had been appointed managing editor of Collier's to replace Joe Morris, resigned." Time magazine reports that when Joe saw the memo, he crossed out the word "resigned" after his name and called it a day.

Cesar Saerchinger will leave next week for Europe on a special three month assignment for the National Broadcasting Company to Western and Eastern Europe.

Bob Considine will sail on July 16th on the Queen Elizabeth for Europe where he will cover the Olympic Games and then proceed to Paris, Rome and Capri. Many members are going to cover the Olympics. John Barkam will sail around the middle of July while his wife, Margot, will fly to South Africa for a short visit with her parents.

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AMERICAN AIRLINES

OPC BULLETIN PAGE FOUR JUNE 9, 1948 Manuel Konroff is reading proof on his new novel. Title: "Echo of Evil". A story of contemporary life in America. Manuel says that this is the strongest book he has ever

written. For publication in September by Farrar Straus, the story deals with a skeleton

that emerges after 20 years.

About eighty members and guests gathered to hear Bill Benton report on the Freedom of Information Conference in Geneva. Benton is Chairman of the Board of the Encyclopedia Brittanica here in New York, a position which he took after he resigned as Assistant Secretary of State. Glimpsed around were: Cornelius Vanderbilt, who leaves for Europe this week with his famous trailer; Harris Shevelson, editor of Pageant magazine, guest of Ken Giniger; George Lyon of Pan-American Airways; Abel Green, editor of Variety; Joe Lilly, whose guest was the President of the Silurians; Stanley High of Reader's Digest; Lew Bowen of the Gallup Poll; Bee Mathieu of the New Yorker; Bob Brown of Editor and Publisher, etc.

Louis Lochner, member of the Board of Governors, presided ably but then he is used to that because he was President of the Berlin Press Club for many years. Temple Fielding's book, published by William Sloane Associates, "Fielding's Guide to Europe" was the jackpot book of the luncheon.

Benton said that he considered correspondents the "Ambassadors of the Mind" in this world and therefore most important. Benton said that at the Geneva conference, which was the first of its kind in the world, most nations gave lip service to freedom of the press but actually worked against it, as more than half of the nations shackle the press. (This information was furnished Benton by Seymour Berkson of INS.) The Soviets who controlled six votes challenged our concept of freedom of the press and called it "capitalistic warmongering". Whereas what we call state control and iron clad censorship, the Russians take for a free press run in the interests of the masses of people.

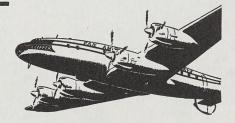
However, the U.S. delegation held firm to its principles of a truly free press. The U.S. Convention which was approved at Geneva by 28 countries of the forty holding voting power is designed to encourage the freest possible movement of foreign correspondents; to give foreign correspondents the widest possible access to news; to protect them against expulsion for any lawful exercise of their rights; and to insure equitable treatment of their outgoing dispatches.

Referring to the recent news story of NBC broadcasts for "Voice of America". Benton said that Niles Tramel told him just about a year ago that he did not want to be in the same spot as Benton, but a year later almost to the exact day, he was.

The full text of Benton's speech is posted on the Bulletin Board in the office. Space unfortunately does not let us quote it in full, but every sentence was of prime importance to OPC members. Hester E. Hensell, Editor.

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